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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

PATENT APPLICATION OF: Group Art Unit 1762 DAVID KAR LING LO, Examiner B. Talbot JOACHIM SCHAEFER, NICOLA SIMON and HAROLD TOBER SERIAL NO. 09/872,311 FILED: MAY 31, 2001 METHODS FOR PREPARING FLUID DIFFUSION LAYERS FOR: AND ELECTRODES USING COMPACTION ROLLERS

AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

sir:

Applicants submit this Amendment and Request for Reconsideration in response to the Office Action dated January 9, 2003. Please amend the present application as follows (a marked-up version showing changes made (deletions bracketed; insertions underlined) is attached hereto at Appendix A):